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<u>REMARKS</u>

Reconsideration of the present application as amended is earnestly solicited. The original application includes 6 claims with claim 7 being added by preliminary amendment. In a prior Amendment, Applicant amended claims 1, 2 and 6, and added new independent claim 10 and dependent claims 11-13.

With this Supplemental Amendment, Applicant has amended claim 10 to widen the concentration range for the isoflavone aglycone from 20-100 mg. to 1-500 mg. Support for this range is found in the specification at page 5, line 9, and in original claim 5. The concentration range of 20-100 has been incorporated into new claim 14, which depends from claim 10.

claim 10.

In the prior Amendment, Applicant presented arguments as to the patentability of the original claims 1-7 as well as the new claims 10-13. These arguments apply with equal force to amended claim 10 and its new dependent claim 14.

Entry of the foregoing amendments in the present application is requested. The limitations of claim 4, which was deemed allowable, have been incorporated into claim 1, so this claim and its dependent claims 2 and 5-9 should be in condition for allowance. Applicants' new claims 10-14 are also believed to be allowable on the grounds set forth above. Reconsideration of this application and timely issuance of a Notice of Allowance is hereby requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned agent if further issues arise with respect to this application.

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COMPLETE LITSING OF THE AMENDED CLAIMS

- 1. (previously amended) A cosmetic comprising:
- at least one isoflavone aglycone in a biologically active form as active component, said at least one isoflavone aglycone being incorporated into liposomes; and at least one algal extract including an extract of algae of the genus Spirulina.
- 2. (previously amended) The cosmetic of claim 1, wherein said at least one isoflavone aglycone is selected from the group consisting of genistein and daidzein.
 - 3. (cancelled).
 - 4. (cancelled).
 - 5. (original) The cosmetic of claim 1, wherein the concentration of said isoflavone aglycone is from 1 to 500 mg per kg of the cosmetic.
 - 6. (previously amended) The cosmetic of claim 5, wherein the concentration of said isoflavone aglycone is from 20 to 100 mg per kg of the cosmetic.
 - 8. (previously added) The cosmetic of claim 1, wherein said liposomes have a diameter of less than 140 nm.
 - 9. (previously added) The cosmetic of claim 8, wherein said liposomes have a diameter of between 100nm and 140 nm.
 - 10. (currently amended) A cosmetic comprising at least one isoflavone aglycone in a biologically active form as active component, said at least one isoflavone aglycone selected

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from the group consisting of genistein and daidzein, said at least one isoflavone aglycone being incorporated into liposomes and in a concentration of from [20] 1 to [100] 500 mg per kg of the cosmetic.

- 11. (previously added)

 The cosmetic of claim 10, further comprising at least one algal extract.
- 12. (previously added) The cosmetic of claim 11, wherein said at least one algal extract is an extract of the genus Spirulina.
- 13. (previously added) The cosmetic of claim 10, wherein said liposomes have a diameter of between 100nm and 140 nm.
- 14. (new) The cosmetic of claim 10, wherein the concentration of said isoflavone aglycone is from 20 to 100 mg per kg of the cosmetic.

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